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8 Mayors Proclaim Week of Apprentices' Graduation

Lads Get Diplomas Thursday, June 7th

Calling attention to the cooperative programs of 42 labor-management committees, the Mayors of eight East Bay cities today issued proclamations for the observance of "Apprenticeship Week" beginning June 3.

Major feature of the week will be the fourth annual mass apprenticeship graduation exercises in the Oakland Municipal Auditorium Theater at 8 p. m. Thursday, June 7.

STATE CERTIFICATES

State trade certificates — the "sheepskins" awarded on completion of on-the-job training and related school instruction in half a hundred crafts—will be received by some 400 new journeymen from all parts of the East Bay.

The proclamation issued by Mayor Clifford E. Rishell of Oakland cited this area's "increasingly important role in the progress of the nation." It called upon citizens to "join in recognizing the value" of the training programs, "assuring continued strength in skilled crafts which will benefit this community and the entire East Bay in the years to come."

STEAMFITTER PROGRAM

With a collective 128,640 hours of job experience and related classroom instruction behind them, 12 new journeymen in the highly-skilled steamfitting trade will receive state trade certificates at the East Bay's annual mass apprenticeship graduation program.

Albert P. Johnson, 29, of 2401 Geraldine drive, Concord, who spent much of 48 months of Navy service in the engine room of the aircraft carrier Shamrock Bay, is one of the graduates. Johnson, a machinist's mate second class, gathered four battle stars in his wartime service. His interest in steam stemmed from his father's occupation as a stationary engineer in New York. He took his school training at the Laney Trade and Technical Institute during his apprenticeship.



APPRENTICE STEAMFITTER ALBERT P. JOHNSON (left), 29, of 2401 Geraldine Drive, Concord, demonstrates pipe threading machine with his employer, Dan Cutter (right), and Lou Kovacevich (center), business representative of Steamfitters Local 342, looking on. Johnson will be one of 12 graduating steamfitter apprentices to be awarded state trade certificates at the Fourth Annual Mass Apprenticeship Graduation, to be held in the Oakland Auditorium in June. Cutter and Kovacevich are chairman and secretary, respectively, of the Joint Apprenticeship Committee for the trade.

Bay Area Homebuilding Shows Sharp Upswing

U. S. Gov't Release

Homebuilders in the San Francisco-Oakland Metropolitan Area began 27 per cent more dwelling units in March than in the preceding month with the start of 2520 new permanent non-farm dwelling units, Max D. Kossoris, western regional director of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, reported.

This was in contrast to the national picture, where a less-than-seasonal gain of 16 per cent was recorded.

The large volume of March starts brought the total for the first quarter of 1951 to an estimated 6530 units. This exceeds by 330 units the previous record established during the same quarter of 1950.

One-family homes continued to dominate local residential construction, accounting for about 83 per cent of all residences started. The volume of one-family homes alone was greater than the total for all types of units started during each of the preceding four months.

During March, Alameda county led the other five Bay Area counties in the number of units authorized with 697 units, a 14 per cent increase over February.

Boilermakers 39 Move to 750 Fourteenth Street

Editor, Labor Journal:

This is to advise that Union headquarters for the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Local 39, have been moved from 512 Broadway and are now located at 750 14th street, Oakland 12, Calif.

Fraternally,
OWEN BIRCH,
Secretary Lodge No. 39.

Local Landlord Faces Gov't Suit, Injunction

U. S. Gov't Release

Suit in Federal Court charging violation of the rent control law has been filed against Charles McDowell, 19797 Stanton avenue, Castro Valley. The suit, filed in Federal Court in San Francisco, charges that McDowell overcharged a tenant at 2256 San Jose avenue, Alameda, and asks restitution to tenant of $506 and damages to the Government of $750. Amount of the alleged overcharges range from $25 to $31 per month.

A federal injunction against further overcharges is also asked.

NOTICE!

Clerks and Lumber Handlers 939!

Due to the death of three of our members during the past five months, namely Oscar Thomas, Robert D. Hamilton and James Godfrey, Death Benefit No. 15 is now due and payable.

Fraternally yours,
JOSEPH M. SOUZA,
Secretary-Treasurer

IF YOU GO TO STATE FED SCHOOL JUNE 10-16 IT WILL HELP YOU ALL YEAR

(Editorial)

Emphatic attention should be called to the communication printed below. It urges you to attend a session which will do you good as a unionist all through the year to come. Here it is:

TO ALL UNIONS AND COUNCILS

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

As you know, our fourth annual Summer Labor Institute will be held June 10-16, 1951, at the Casa del Rey Hotel in Santa Cruz under the joint auspices of the University of California and the California State Federation of Labor.

The city of Santa Cruz offers particularly attractive vacation facilities for both institute students and their families. Perhaps because of this appeal reservations to date have exceeded the experience of past years.

Our 1951 faculty will feature such outstanding personalities as Boris Shishkin, chief economist of the American Federation of Labor; Irwin M. Tobin, deputy special assistant to the U. S. Secretary of State; Gordon Cole, editor of the I. A. M. "Machinist," and William Gomberg, director of industrial engineering for the I. L. G. W. U. The faculty will also include the following AFL officials from the West Coast: Harry Lundeberg, Einar Mohn, Roy M. Brewer, Lloyd Mashburn and Larry Vail.

The curriculum will embrace such courses as general economics, government control of wages, labor press techniques, international relations and other subjects of comparable interest. In quality and scope this institute promises to be one of the finest ever sponsored by a labor organization in the United States.

Trusting that your organization will be able to send a representative to Santa Cruz and with kindest regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,
C. J. HAGGERTY,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Con Moreno, Hi Bray Get 50-Year Pins At Pressmen's Memorial Day Banquet

Hi Bray and C. A. Moreno, two of the charter members of the Oakland Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union No. 125, were honored at a dance given at the Diablo Country Club on May 30.

Over 500 guests assembled to celebrate the Golden Anniversary of this union, which was granted a charter by the international on May 13, 1901.

International Vice-president Walter Turner presented these charter members with 50-year pins. Hi Bray will be remembered by many in the unions as heading a family of pressmen and for many years was in business locally.

C. A. Moreno has held offices in the Oakland union for over 30 years. He is still active at the trade and will be remembered for his many activities connected with the union and the Allied Printing Trades Council.

"Con," as he is known in the printing industry, is also active in the Native Sons, of which he has been an officer for many years.

AFL Votes to Stay Active in Politics

CHICAGO (LPA)—The AFL is in politics to stay. The administrative committee of Labor's League for Political Education, the AFL political arm has voted unanimously to start an intensive registration campaign immediately. The committee was meeting in association with the AFL executive council, which was holding its quarterly session here.

Besides the Presidency, 33 Senate seats and all 435 seats in the House of Representatives will be contested in 1952, the LLPE leaders noted. Of the 33 Senators up for re-election, 20 are held unfriendly to organized labor, they said. These 20 were elected in 1946 to the 80th Congress, which put the Taft-Hartley act on the books.

To put teeth in the campaign, the administrative committee voted to strengthen LLPE financially and named a subcommittee which will recommend fund-raising methods in August. All collections will be on a strictly voluntary basis. It's necessary to get an early start, the committee decided, because many states have early primaries.

"The greatest danger labor faces in 1953 is a falling-off in registration," warned a report which the LLPE leaders approved. "Workers are moving to take defense jobs. Many young men are going into the armed forces. The housing problem has resulted in many more changes of residence than take place in a normal year. The earlier the registration is started, the better off labor will be in the 1952 election."

Another report approved by the committee emphasized the need of expanding the labor press as a valuable educational medium on political issues. Labor's political opponents are in better position than labor to use such costly means of communication as radio and television, this report pointed out. It stressed the necessity of widening and strengthening precinct-by-precinct political organization.

The LLPE leaders expressed confidence that a full vote in 1952 will mean the election of liberals.

BTC Outlaws Non-Approved Picket Lines

Due to the Memorial Day holiday our go-to-press deadline was moved up one day. As a result we were unable to include this week's meeting of the Building Trades Council in its regular place in this column. However, we are inserting information of last week's meeting which failed to see print because of the limited space in the May 25 edition:

A recommendation by the Board of Business Agents aimed at outlawing non-sanctioned picket lines was approved by the delegates after a heated debate on the wording of the measure.

The action was taken as a result of the confusion attending the recent picket lines thrown up by striking Bay Area Pile Drivers.

As passed, the recommendation reads:

"It shall be the policy of the council and the affiliated local unions to recognize a picket line only after the craft or crafts involved have removed their men from the job and other people are performing their work."

ASBESTOS WORKERS

Asbestos Workers Local 16 sent a memorandum to the BTC outlining a wage agreement that it had negotiated with the Insulation Contractors of Northern California Inc.

The agreement boosts wages 10 per cent above the wages in effect January 15, 1950.

New rates per hour are: First year improver, $1.70½; second year improver, $1.81½; third year improver, $1.98; fourth year improver $2.25½, and mechanics, $2.58½.

LABORERS' PAY

Laborers Local 304 reported to the council that it has signed a wage agreement with employers making the new rates effective as of May 1, 1951. There is a general understanding between the parties concerned that in September the Laborers will be granted a further increase of not less than 10 cents an hour.

The new wage classifications follow: Classifications 1, 2 and 3 are $1.95, $1.80 and $1.70 per hour, respectively.

BTC EARNS THANKS

The Oakland Police and Firemen Campaign Committee wrote the BTC expressing gratitude for the support they received in the recent campaign to improve their retirement system.

Teachers Request 20% Pay Increase

The following communication has been sent to the Oakland Board of Education:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Oakland Federation of Teachers has adopted the following salary petition for the school year 1951-52 and asks your careful consideration of these requests:

1. A 20 per cent salary increase for all full-time personnel on the certificated staff.
2. Granting of the automatic salary increases.
3. A 20 per cent increase to teachers in the adult schools and summer session schools.
4. A 20 per cent increase to substitute teachers.
5. That where a teacher must pay for her substitute, the amount be no more than $10 per day with the school districts paying the additional cost.
6. That teachers with an A. B. degree and six years preparation be eligible to enter column "C" of the salary schedule.
7. That consideration be given to increasing the increment between salary steps with a corresponding decrease in the number of steps required for receiving the maximum salary.

Cordially yours,
OAKLAND FEDERATION OF TEACHERS,
Ed M. Ross, President.

Sheriff Assures Austin Bail Matter Cleared Up

Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash reported that Sheriff H. P. Gleason had notified Jack Austin, Typographical 36, that he had straightened out the bail bond situation in the county jail. Gleason recently returned to the city after an extended trip.

The notification apparently brings down the curtain on an episode which Austin had earlier characterized as a "runaround."

It all started over the interpretation of a bail-bond order issued by a San Francisco judge against an acquaintance of Austin.

Special Notice! To Painters Number 127

All members of the above local are hereby notified that the next meeting of the local will be a special called meeting on Thursday, June 14, at 8 p. m. in the regular meeting hall of the Labor Temple. Purpose of the meeting is for the nomination of officers for the ensuing year and to act upon any other business that may come before the meeting. All brothers are urged to attend.

Fraternally,
PAINTERS LOCAL NO. 127,
Floyd Peaslee, Secretary.

REPORT —TO OUR READERS-OWNERS

No Editorials?

A friend suggests that a labor paper shouldn't have a regular editorial page or column.

"Nobody reads editorials much any more in the daily papers," he says. "Their place has been taken by the signed columnists."

As for labor papers, his point is that there is such a flood of anti-labor propaganda pouring out of daily press, radio, and television, as well as the periodical press, that each story in a labor paper ought to be so "interpretative" that the readers would get the labor angle.

If this were done, it would be unnecessary to have a regular editorial column or page, he argues.

Occasionally, if something very special came up, there could be an editorial, to be run right alongside of the news item on which it commented.

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Two Separate Jobs

Our friend is voicing a philosophy of journalism which is very different from our own.

We believe that all Americans, whether labor people, college professors, or big business magnates, need to develop the habit of distinguishing between the functions of fact-finding and opinion-forming.

Accordingly, the news columns of any newspaper should be devoted as nearly as possible to stating news facts, so the reader can engage in the important function of fact-finding.

The editorial columns should be devoted to the task of opinion-stating. The reader should consider this statement of opinions a challenge to him: he should argue with the editorial writer as he reads the editorial, and thus arrive at his own opinion.

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Quicksand!

It is true that the mere statement of an isolated news fact is often misleading, unless it is accompanied by a statement of some of the past background to that particular development. Not only the past background, but the economic and political background.

This gets onto quicksand, for first thing you know, the news writer is pumping his own opinions in to the news column, instead of merely supplying relevant background. But if the news writer holds firmly to the ideal of actual fact-stating, with just the bare minimum of fact-background that is needed, he will do a more reliable job than if he starts out with the notion that his job must include fact-stating and what amounts to opinion-slanting in the same story.

Incidentally, we freely concede that the news columns in East Bay Labor Journal don't always keep out the taint of excessive "interpretation." But we keep on trying to improve.

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Opinion-Makers

As for the statement that "nobody reads editorials any more," Eve leaned over Adam's shoulder when he was reading the Eden Garden Gazette, and told him that one. She got it straight from the Old Serpent.

Actually, if, say, 10 per cent of a paper's readership reads the news columns carefully, then perhaps only 2 per cent read an editorial column carefully. But all that means is that there are always leaders and rank-and-filers in any group.

Leaders of opinion read both news and editorial columns, try to ascertain facts and try to form sound opinions, using editorial columns to stimulate their own opinion-forming. Rank-and-filers in an opinion sense either only look at the more sensational news or that most closely related to their own pocketbook, or else don't read anything at all. They just don't have the weight in the opinion-forming of a group that leaders have.

And don't get mixed on this: we don't mean leaders in the sense of union officials, and we don't mean rank-and-filers in the sense of the members of a union who don't hold office.

For often the man who is a member will work harder at fact-finding and opinion-forming than will the official leader of his union.

We mean leaders in fact-finding and opinion-forming, and rank-and-filers in fact-finding and opinion-forming—something entirely different from merely holding office in a union or merely being a member.

Canada Organizes Joint Labor Group

OTTAWA, Canada (AFL News). —A joint standing committee to deal with problems of manpower, production, price control and defense mobilization in general has been formed by the four major Canadian trade union organizations.

Over a million workers are represented by the four organizations involved—the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, the Canadian Congress of Labor, the Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor and the Dominion Joint Legislative Committee of the Railway Transportation Brotherhoods. The TLC and the CCL include unions which are also affiliated with the AFL and CIO, respectively.

Formation of the committee followed by some months the opening of the first joint labor federation campaign in Canadian history. Toward the end of 1950 organized labor in Canada issued a joint announcement launching a nation-wide campaign to urge imposition of price controls and retention of rent controls.

One out of every three Canadian workers is a union member.

Rent Fight Looming

Mail Carriers Get Thousands For Children

The AFL Letter Carriers did a wonderful special delivery—no, special collection!—job for the cerebral palsy drive.

Ed Clancy, Newspaper Drivers 96, told the Central Labor Council that Thursday of last week, the night officially set for letter carriers visiting homes with lighted porch lamps, many thousands of dollars were collected.

A letter carrier told the Council: **"Yes, and out of the first nearly $11,000 collected, there was only one bill as high as $20. It took hours to count the thousands of $1 bills. So you can see how widespread the response was. Everyone seemed to wish to give something."**

Some people who were missed by the Letter Carriers who were "walking again that a child may walk again" Thursday, stopped the carriers the next day and asked for a chance to contribute.

A letter carrier said that Clancy himself did a big job for the drive in Alameda.

The report was made Monday night that some $13,000 of the $18,500 sought had been raised already.

President A. G. Alameida of the Central Labor Council has taken a strong interest in the drive. Union headquarters in the Labor Temple and over the city have receptacles for contributions.

Joe W. Chaudet, acting postmaster of Oakland, a member of Typographical 36, and former business manager of East Bay Labor Journal, has received a specially inscribed plaque for his services in organizing the letter carriers' campaign of mercy. The plaque was presented by Mayor Rishell of Oakland at a civic ceremony.

Hugh Rutledge On Way Editor Handles Grief

Hughie Rutledge in his column for Painters 127 on another page of this issue says:

"We compliment the editor of this paper on his good handling of a touchy subject, such as differences of opinion between local labor representatives. Hope he continues this policy, which we honestly believe is for the benefit of all labor."

Jobless Pay Law Covers 34,800,000 Workers

WASHINGTON (LPA).—Between December, 1949, and December, 1950, the number of workers employed by firms covered by state unemployment insurance laws increased by 2,900,000 to reach a record high of 34,800,000. Their total wages in 1950 amounted to about $100,000,000,000, an all-time peak.

In February, 1950, covered employment totaled 30,700,000. By December the figure had increased by 4,100,000.

The year before, 7,400,000 workers collected $1,800,000,000 in unemployment compensation. In 1950 the number dropped to 5,200,000 and the amount to $1,400,000,000. The average weekly benefit was $20.76, a record high.

Bartell Urges $1000 Raise For Officials

Declaring that "public officials are underpaid," Harry Bartell, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, advocated salary increases averaging approximately $1000 a year for elected officials in Alameda county.

Bartell made his appeal for the salary boosts before the Grand Jury early this week. He said the increases will cost the county a total of $12,850, which will increase the tax rate one-sixth of a cent.

Maybe Old Soldiers Don't Fade Away, But The People Sure Do

Richmond Independent

NEW YORK, May 23.—The newly-formed "Sustain MacArthur Committee" hired Carnegie Hall for a meeting last night.

They paid $750 for the 2760-seat hall, another $150 for the 40 employes on duty.

Thirty-nine people attended.

Federate The Federaters!

There are at least three group taking the lead in the proposal to federate all fund-raising drives into one drive, Secretary Robert S. Ash told the Central Labor Council Monday.

Ash said he hoped the federaters would get federated into one effective group so they could do their federating in a federated way. Organized labor is backing the idea.

Bakers Armed With Power to Strike At the Big Plants

Members of Bakers Local 119 are armed with the sanction of the Central Labor Council to strike the big factory baking plants in East Bay.

CLC delegates Monday unanimously accepted the recommendation of the executive committee that sanction be granted.

COMMITTEE NAMED

Members of the Bakers Club include Continental, Remar, Langendorf, Kilpatrick and Hagstrom. Safeway and Homecraft are not members of the Bakers Club, but are in the same contract.

President A. G. Alameida of the Central Labor Council has named the following committee to assist the bakers: Secretary Robert S. Ash or Assistant Secretary William P. Fee of the CLC; Paul Fuhrer, Bakery Drivers 432; Al Brown, Milk Drivers 302; Charles Omstead, Food Clerks 870; E. H. Vernon, Automotive Machinists 1546; George King, Teamsters 70; Jud Minzer, Engineers 39.

ISSUES STATED

Everett Beasly and Otto Munschner of the union had appeared before the CLC executive committee and explained the issues.

The union has asked clarification for a relief period, a rest period, 37 hours between shifts on days off, and a raise in pay that would bring the wage to the standard of a 10 per cent increase since January of 1950, which has been set by the Wage Stabilization Board. Current journeymen's basic pay for a 37½-hour week is $71.06.

If the strike is not headed off by further negotiations, firms belonging to the Bakers Club would be struck, and the Grandma Cake and Cookie Company and Mother's Cake.

ATTENTION!

Berkeley Painters Number 40

Special called meetings: June 8 for nomination of officers; June 22 for election of officers; and for any other business which comes up at either meeting.

Yours fraternally,
CLARENCE VEZEY
Business Representative.

New Book Tells What Makes Unionism Tick

NEW YORK (LPA)—Several years ago The Inter-Union Institute, Inc., began a study with two aims: to tell outsiders what goes on inside unions, and to give insiders an overall view of their group activities.

The result is a hefty book (553 pages), "The House of Labor," subtitled "Internal Operations of American Unions," but better described as telling what makes unionism tick. It was written by 49 men and women, from 29 to 71 years old, ranging from editors of small labor papers to presidents of international unions.

Editors are J. B. S. Hardman, editor of Labor and Nation, and chairman of the Inter-Union Institute, and Maurice F. Neufeld, professor of industrial and labor relations at Cornell University.

As Hardman points out in his foreword, this is the first full-sized, privately-produced book in which the "union staff" dominates the writing.

The book is in eight parts: The American Labor Movement; Unions and Political Activity; Union Communication, Publicity, Public Relations; Union Research and Engineering; Welfare, Health and Community Services; Union Administration; Union Education Activity; Union Staff—Function and Aim.

Landlords in Drive; Hearing Set June 28th

Reminder was given by Secretary Robert S. Ash of the Central Labor Council this week that the landlords are on the march in Oakland.

Ash urged all unions to remember that a hearing has been set for June 28 by the Oakland City Council on the demand of the landlords that rent control be abolished.

"Be there at that hearing if you're interested, and if you represent the interests of your members, you're certainly interested," was the tenor of Ash's remarks.

He added:

"Be there in the Oakland City Council chambers at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, June 28!"

NATIONAL HOUSING

Senator Nixon wrote to the Council from Washington that the reason he voted for the cut in defense housing was because the sentiment of the country was economy-minded.

Ash, on behalf of the CLC, had written Senators and Representatives asking for reconsideration of the action of Congress in cutting the Defense Housing Administration down severely.

RENTS IN ALAMEDA

Ed Clancy, Newspaper Drivers 95, reported on the efforts landlords in Alameda are making to remove rent control. He said that the Alameda Rent Advisory Board, of which he is a member, and of which E. H. Vernon is chairman, has taken a stand on the issue.

Vernon is general business representative of Automotive Machinists 1546.

Clancy said that the board had urged that no steps be taken by the Alameda City Council until a real survey is made of of the housing situation in the city.

HOT CARGO AGAIN

Another political issue was discussed when Ash told of renewed efforts to revive the hot cargo proposed legislation in the Legislature.

Ash and other unionists went to Sacramento Thursday of this week to attend a hearing before an Assembly committee on this.

SAN LEANDRO DECONTROLS

Urgency was given to the rent controversy as an announcement coming out of Washington reported that federal rent controls were lifted Wednesday in San Leandro.

The action was taken by Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods as a result of a decontrol resolution approved by the San Leandro City Council on May 7.

Crisis in England Causes Worry Here

The fate of the free world rests in the balance following the recent left wing revolt in Britain's Labor government.

This was the opinion expressed by Jeffery Cohelan, Milk Drivers 302, to the Central Labor Council delegates at a recent meeting.

Cohelan pointed up the importance to us and our allies of the dramatic resignation of Aneurin Bevan as Minister of Labor in the cabinet of Prime Minister Clement Attlee.

Bevan, said Cohelan, fears that the uncontrolled American economy is helping to destroy the economy of Britain. Particularly is this true in regards to our guns-and-butter rearmament program. Our increased use of the world's raw materials has skyrocketed the prices of these goods so as to cut into the already low British standard of living.

Cohelan emphasized that it need not come to this if America will work out some plan to alleviate this situation, not only in Britain but in the countries of all our allies.

"We must convince the world that we are for a free world," he said. "If we don't get the wholehearted support of our allies," he warned, "they may desert us and perhaps tie in with the Soviet Union."

Compared to the U. S. as a whole, the Coast States showed a counter-trend in hours and earnings. Nationally, average weekly hours advanced two-tenths of an hour to 41.1, while the Coast States declined one-tenth of an hour in Calirornia and eight-tenths in Oregon. All three Coast States averaged less than 40 hours, but each showed average weekly earnings above the national figure of $64.36.

Teamo Nine Loses 10-Inning 7-6 Toughie to Okay Radio

The Teamster baseball juggernaut ran out of gas in the tenth inning Sunday and, as a result, the OK Radio and Television nine came on to nip the Oakland Teamsters, 7 to 6, at Nicholl's Park in Richmond.

It was a spine-tingling game which saw the Teamos rally in the sixth and seventh innings to pull abreast of the Radio club, a pair be ing on the short end of a 6-2 score. But that was the end of the scoring for the burly Teamsters.

For the next three innings the Teamo batters were completely short-circuited. Not so the Radiomen.

For in the ending of the tenth a sharp single, after two were out, drove in the winning run from second base.

THE TRAGIC SECOND

Perhaps the turning point for the Teamster defeat occurred in the second inning when they loaded the bases with none out. A new hurler came out of the bullpen to face the rampaging Teamos and quelled the uprising by forcing the next three batters to strike out and pop up. Not a run scored.

However, the Teamsters were in there fighting all the way as they peppered the enemy pitchers with 1" base knocks, one more than the Radiomen could garner.

But in the important "runs" column the tables were turned, and since they still pay off in runs and not hits, the Teamsters lost.

TEAMO HITTERS

Leading the hit parade for the Teamsters were First Baseman Babe Vincent, who lashed out a double and two singles, and Third Baseman George Alves, who contributed three singles. Left Fielder Tony Sena and Catcher John Nagy each pitched in with two singles.

Roy Anton, the well-known Teamster manager, states that he will bring his team to Bushrod Park this Sunday for a tilt with the Oakland Police ball club. Game time is 2:30 p. m.

Million UAW Men Get 3-Cent Hike For Living Costs

DETROIT (LPA) — A million members of the United Auto Workers-CIO won a three-cent-an-hour pay increase May 23, but it would keep them no better than even with the cost of living.

The raises were obtained under escalator clauses calling for wage boosts when the Consumers Price Index of the US Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics goes up.

"RENT BIAS"

The BLS announced that between mid-March and mid-April the index rose only one-tenth of one per cent to 184.6, but the increase since Jan. 15 when auto wages were last reviewed was 1.7 per cent. On top of that was a rent "bias" of 0.8 per cent, recognized by the auto industry. Total three-month increase in the index was enough to require the three-cent wage rise.

In addition, many auto workers would soon be entitled to an extra four cents as an annual improvement raise designed as compensation for increased productivity by men and machines. The "annual improvement" hike would call for a decision by the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington because it would make auto workers' increases exceed the 10 per cent over January 1950 rule handed down by the WSB last winter.

SOME FOOD DECLINE

Between March and April, the food index actually declined two-tenths of one per cent, but was still 11.1 per cent above the pre-Korea level, the BLS said. The decline was accounted for by fresh fruits and vegetables, while beef, veal, lamb and fish went up.

Household appliances, notably refrigerators and washing machines, pushed the housefurnishings index up five-tenths of one per cent. The apparel index rose two-tenths of one per cent.

Marion Botta Says We Need a Cleanup And Need it Badly

Dear Editor:

It again appears that the "vestal virgins" in the Labor Temple are too delicate to stick around and clean up their foul nest. This time the painters are picking up their sticky little marbles and going home.

Where are the men of labor? Where is the fighting spirit . . . the idealism that fought through blood, sweat, and tears to make our living standard decent? How dare we criticize the Tribune's filthy methods of character assassination . . . or the Communist Party's often too true criticism when we are too entangled in opportunist deals to dare to stand up and face the facts?

If the so-called leaders in the Temple haven's the manhood to earn the admiration of the rank and file or the imagination and resourcefulness even to build a precinct machine then let's find new leaders!

I really believe that things work both ways. The fault, of course, lies with the fatally apathetic American attitude of "let George do it." Only we haven't the sense to know what is to our own interest or to vote for George's instead of "Georgetta's."

Now the only solution appears to be in a real rank and file return . . . a healthy revolution which demands real leadership which will deserve the respect of all citizens both in and out of Labor's ranks.

What a travesty on democracy when unions have to fine members for not coming out to cast ballots! Let's not belly ache any more. Let's demand a clean-up in the Temple and let's come out en masse for a follow-through! It's already much, much later than we think! Of course if we don't want to exercise the privileges of democracy we deserve dictatorship . Think it over!

MARION BOTTA.

U. S. Savings Bonds Made More Attractive For Small Investors

U. S. Govt. Release

Hundreds of thousands of members of organized labor who hold Series E Savings Bonds which began maturing in May, 1951, will welcome the convenient reinvestment plan recently authorized by Congress. Under this legislation, signed by President Truman, maturing Series E Savings Bonds may be held by the owners for another 10 years at the current rate of interest.

Simple intertest at the rate of 2½ per cent for each year for the first seven and one-half years after maturity and interest compounded semi-annually at 2½ per cent for the final two and one-half years, is provided under the new law. After a matured bond is held for the additional seven and one-half years, the interest rate is stepped up to provide a yield of 2.9 per cent compound interest, providing the bond is held for a full 10 years beyond its original maturity date. This is the same rate as is paid on a new bond which is held for 10 years.

The holder of a maturing bond, therefore, who elects to hold his bond instead of cashing it at maturity will, at the end of an additional 10 years, draw interest on the face value of the bond at maturity. Thus, the $75 bond bought in 1941 would be worth $100 in 1951 and $133.33 in 1961.

In signing the bill President Truman observed that the new privilege makes the bonds "even more attractive." He added that Series E Bonds offer even the smallest savers "the opportunity of providing for their own future security, and at the same time becoming stockholders in their Government."

The new legislation is expected to be a strong inducement to holders of Series E. Bonds to continue holding them, even though cash-in privileges have not been changed under the new law.

LABOR IN THE WORLD OF WAR

Wage Ceiling May Be Upped Soon, Says WSB Man; "If We Can't Control Beef, We'd Better Quit"; Gen. Collins Comes Out With It: Mac a Problem!

By the Editor

An official of the Wage Stabilization Board's staff has made the statement that the wage ceiling now officially permitted will be lifted soon.

Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston told a committee of Congress, in answer to a question by Senator Taft, that if Congress will give the additional controls asked, wage boosts can be kept down to 10 per cent a year.

A million auto workers, members of CIO United Auto Workers, are getting a 3-cent hourly wage boost to meet the increased cost of living. This was due to the escalator clause in the union contract.

Actually, the cost of living advanced only a tenth of a per cent from March 15 to April 15, but the advance previously had been enough to bring the costs up to the escalation point.

BRT GETS BOOST

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen have settled their two-year dispute with the rail owners. About 150,000 men are affected.

The yardmen get an hourly boost of 32 cents, and the roadmen one of 18½ cents. Part of this advance had already been made under Army control of the roads, which still continues.

The other three operating rail brotherhoods are now moving up into tense negotiations, and an official of one of the three remaining brotherhoods denied reports that a settlement was expected very soon.

The railway settlement already made goes beyond the WSB 10 per cent formula, but a special panel had previously ruled that the railroad industry has unique problems.

BEEF! BEEF!

Cattlemen and their allies in Congress continued heavy bombardment of the beef price control program.

Stabilizer Johnston told a Congress committee that the purpose of the program is not so much to roll back prices, as it is to get them stabilized at a point where they'll stay.

Price Director Di Salle in a radio debate with a cattlemen's spokesman again pointed out that the price of beef is 152 per cent parity. He added that if beef prices can't be controlled, there's no use having any price control program at all.

Tire retailers were notified they can only keep a 30-day supply on hand, and building construction men were still disputing some of the restrictions they face.

Congress was asked by the President to authorize $8,500,000,000 for assisting friendly countries get on their feet.

The House Ways and Means Committee is considering raising all income taxes 12½ per cent. This would apparently come about September 1.

COLLINS ABOUT MAC

Army Chief of Staff Collins said more plain things about MacArthur than any of the other military brass. He made it plain that in his opinion General Mac had on occasion violated orders, and that he kept the Pentagon in a tizzy as to what he'd do next.

Meanwhile, without any MacArthur, the present commanders and GI's seemed to be chasing the Red Chinese around quite a bit, and there were renewed rumors at United Nations headquarters of peace possibilities.

In Austria and Italy, elections indicated the Commies were slipping; but in Tibet the Red Chinese took control. Global problems!

Nazis Show Strength In Austria, Germany

HANNOVER, West Germany (LPA).—The Nazis are back! That was the most startling fact about the recent elections in Lower Saxony, a state of West Germany, and in Austria, although the political descendants of Adolf Hitler seemed a long way from power.

In Lower Saxony, with 3,250,000 votes counted, the Nazi-like Socialist Reichs party scored a surprising fourth in the total vote, being preferred by about 12 per cent of the electorate. Anything over 10 per cent would be a moral victory for the Nazi throw-backs, observers had contended.

However, the anti-Nazi, anti-Communist Socialist party won more than half the seats in the 158-member state assembly. A conservative coalition ran second and the Refugee party ran third. The Communists ran fifth behind the Nazis. Exact composition of the chamber must be determined by a complicated system of proportional representation.

Dispatches from Vienna indicated that in Austria, in the presidential election, the candidate of the Nazi-like League of Independents received about 15 per cent of the vote, enough to force a runoff between the two leading candidates, a Conservative and a Socialist. Neither of the top aspirants received the 50 per cent plus required by Austrian law.

Dr. Heinrich Gleissner, the Conservative, received 1,688,552 votes, about 40 per cent of the total. This was 4 per cent below the party's standing in the 1949 elections.

Dr. Theodore Koerner, the Socialist, received 1,615,528 votes, 39 per cent of the total. In comparison with 1949, the Socialists held their own. The Nazi candidate, Dr. Burghard Breitner, polled 611,342 votes, 15 per cent, or 3 per cent more than the Nazis received in 1949. The Communist candidate won 4.9 per cent of the votes, a slight loss over the two-year period.

The Austrian presidency became vacant five months ago upon the death of Socialist Karl Renner. The office carries more dignity than power. A Socialist-Conservative coalition runs the government.

Ired by Congress Delay, He Gives Wheat to India

NEW YORK (LPA).—A Lenox, Mass., farmer, "very indignant" at the failure of Congress to answer India's plea for 2,000,000 tons of wheat to avert a famine, decided to do something himself.

So Nathan George Horwitt bought 12 100-pound bags of wheat for $50, loaded them in his jeep truck and drove them from his farm to the Indian Consulate here. He said he hoped "this little gift will start a grass roots movement, particularly among the grain farmers of the Middle West, that will arouse the conscience of Congress and cause it to take prompt action to stave off famine in India."

"It is the duty of Americans who have so much," he said, "to extend a helping hand to those who have so little. Our so-called representatives in Congress who have delayed so long in giving the Indians the grain they need do not represent me

The Indian Consul General, R. R. Saksena, accepted Horwitt's gift as "a fine, warm-hearted gesture that is typical of Americans."

'Fair Trade' Rule Of Court May Cut Some Prices, Maybe

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Maybe some prices will come down—and not by grace of Congress but the Supreme Court. That body has just ruled, 6-3, on a Louisian "fair trade" law that affects similar laws in 45 states. The court ruled that a merchant who did not sign a no-price-cutting agreement cannot be forced to charge the prices set by the manufacturer. He can cut prices if he wishes.

Federal legislation validating such price-fixing was forced through in 1937 by a slick move. Congress tacked it on as a rider to a tax bill, and President Roosevelt could not veto the rider without killing the tax bill.

The legislation was the Miller-Tydings amendment to the Sherman anti-trust act. The amendment permitted states to pass their own laws authorizing minimum price agreements on nationally-advertised products. Both the Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission have long urged the repeal of the Miller-Tydings amendment.

The Supreme Court ruling came in the case of Calvert and Seagram versus the Schwegmann Brothers, who run a supermarket in New Orleans. The "fair trade" laws declared that once a manufacturer or wholesaler signs an agreement with even one retailer on a price, every store and market handling that product must sell at that price or more. They could not sell at less.

The Schwegmanns sold Calvert Reserve whiskey at $3.35 and Seagrams at $3 51, when the "fair trade" minimum price for both was $4.24. The distillers went to federal court and got a court order against the Schwegmanns, who then appealed to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court ruled that since the Schwegmanns had not signed any agreement, they were not bound by it.

Chi. Labor Radio Station Marks 25th Anniversary

CHICAGO (LPA).—Radio Station WCFL, the voice of half a million AFL members in Chicago, is celebrating its silver anniversary.

Owned and operated by the Chicago Federation of Labor, WCFL was started in 1926 to give labor an opportunity of expression in a field almost completely dominated by business. Today it is one of the leading 50 kilowatt stations in the country.

The station began operations in Chicago, but in 1935 moved to Downers Grove, 20 miles southwest, after it was authorized to increase its power. It has one of the first vertical radiators erected in the country, a structure 495 feet high.

WCFL has a new ultra-modern functional building constructed of reinforced concrete. Equipment was engineered, designed and custom-built for the station's particular technical requirements. A fully-equipped kitchen and sleeping quarters are provided for the staff.

Credit for the success of the station is given to John Fitzpatrick, Ed Nockels and Maurice Lynch, early officers of the federation, who kept plugging for the project because they considered it of such great value to the labor movement.

What Inflation Means in One Easy Lesson

WASHINGTON (AFL News). —Aryness Joy Wickens, deputy commissioner U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, lists the foods which $10 bought in 1939 and now. Here 'tis:

$10—1939	$10—1951
10 lbs. flour	10 lbs. flour
5 lbs. sugar	5 lbs. sugar
15 lbs. potatoes	15 lbs. potatoes
2 loaves bread	2 loaves bread
7 qts. milk	7 qts. milk
6 lb. rib roast	6 lb. rib roast
2 lbs. bacon	1 lb. bacon
2 lbs. butter	
1 pkg. rolled oats	
2 doz. oranges	
1 lb. coffee	
5 lbs. cabbage	
3 lbs. green beans	
2 lbs. veal cutlet and pork chops	
1 can salmon	
3 lbs. onions	
1 lb. cheese	
2 doz. eggs	
3 lbs. apples	
2 cans tomatoes	
2 bunches carrots	
1 can peaches	
2 cans peas	
1 head lettuce	
1 box dried prunes	

Gov't Asks Right to Halt Plowing-Under of Lettuce

SAN FRANCISCO (LPA). — The U. S. Government sought an injunction in Federal Court to halt the plowing under of lettuce by growers in California's Salinas area. The complaint charges the growers agreed to destroy some of the crop and limit available quantity so that a higher price could be asked and maintained.

The suit was filed against the Grower-Shipper Vegetable Association of Central California Inc. and 2" growers, altogether representing 225 lettuce growers. U. S. Attorney General J. Howard McGrath said that an immediate court order is requested because the growers have already started their plowing-under operations.

The Salinas area is known as the "lettuce bowl" of America, according to Assistant Attorney General H. G. Morison. It produces over 11,000,000 crates annually and ships 45 per cent of the lettuce in the U. S. The Government's action may save destruction of a third of the season's crop in the area, he said.

Shipyard Wages to Be Probed by WSB

WASHINGTON (LPA)—A five-man panel will study recent wage agreements in the shipbuilding industry, the Wage Stabilization Board announced May 23. A six-man panel will review all pending cases which can be handled under existing wage regulations, the agency said.

The shipbuilding contracts, some of which are five per cent above the 10 per cent over January 1950 increase limit the WSB imposed last winter, are between various unions and companies on the East, West and Gulf Coasts.

The panel will analyze the agreements and present their analyses to the full 18-man WSB for action. Public member John Dunlop will head the panel.

N. Y. Teachers Lose Fight For Extra-Pay For After School Work

NEW WORK (LPA)—The city's high school teachers have lost their year-old fight for extra pay for supervising after school and extra-curricular activities. The teachers have been boycotting such activities since April 1950.

The State Education Department ruled recently that school boards have the legal authority to fix hours and duties of their employers and on occasion can give them "reasonable" assignments in afternoon and evening hours.

The department's report emphasized: "A board is not required to pay additional compensation for such services." The report made it clear, however, that teachers cannot be assigned to duties outside the fields in which they are licensed—although a teacher who volunteers for extra work outside his field may ask for extra pay.

The report stated: "The board grant of authority to fix 'duties' of teachers is not restricted to classroom instruction. Teachers in the fields of English and social studies may be expected to coach plays; physical training teachers may be required to coach both intramural and inter-school athletic teams; teachers may be assigned to supervise education trips which are properly part of the school curriculum. . . ."

Copies of the ruling have been sent to the New York City Board of Education, which is immediately affected, and to all other boards of education in the state.

Labor Force to Grow by 20 New Journeymen Plasterers in June

Joint Apprenticeship Committee

The Plasterers' Joint Apprenticeship Committee of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties will present 20 graduates to receive state trade certificates at the East Bay's fourth annual exercises honoring new craftsmen in June.

This labor-management supervisory group is one of 42 committees cooperating in the mass apprenticeship graduation program. The exercises will be held in the Municipal Auditorium in Oakland.

Our graduations have grown into one of the largest community endeavors in the nation," says Lou Kovacevich, spokesman for the committees. "We want to give full credit to public interest in the East Bay for its part in establishing the program as a pattern used in other parts of the state and the rest of the country."

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Date for the exercises honoring several hundred new journeymen in half a hundred crafts will be announced in the near future, according to Kovacevich. Officials of the local, state and national governments will be among the guests.

The plasterers' joint committee has some 50 apprentices in its program at the present time—men receiving on-the-job training and related classroom instruction.

One of those approved by the JAC for state trade certificates is Dell (Jimmie) Clausen Jr., 26, a Navy veteran of World War II who has been recalled to active duty. He's expected to receive his certificate by proxy.

Clausen currently is serving as acting chief quartermaster aboard a patrol frigate operating out of Japan. As an apprentice, he was indentured to the firm of Clausen & Clausen, owned by his father, Dell Clausen Sr., and an uncle, Frank Clausen. His apprenticeship was completed shortly before his Naval Reservist's rating resulted in the active duty call several months ago.

OTHER GRADUATES

The other graduates include Robert Booth of 1429 13th avenue, Oakland; Manuel Camara of 2036 104th avenue, San Leandro; Ernest Castro of 1390 64th avenue, Oakland; Manuel Colon of 2225 88th avenue, Oakland; Floyd Gardere of 3303 Market street, Oakland; Evans Graney of 338 Burlwood avenue, Oakland; Milton Harms of 5521 Garvin avenue, Richmond; Laurie Marengo of 1821 100th avenue, Oakland; Lane Michael of 1106 61st avenue, Oakland; Carl Pearsen of 2332 Eighth avenue, Oakland; Herman Penner of 3225 Grand avenue, Oakland; Arthur Price of 2697 Havenscourt boulevard, Oakland; Earl Scherbinske of 5561 Macdonald avenue, Richmond; Jack Wood of 3936 Vale avenue, Oakland; Eugene Burns, Ignazio Catanesi, John Catanesi, Donald Fafek and Richard Mesquita. Fafek now is serving in the Army.

The joint apprenticeship committee includes Joseph H. Witt, chairman; William Hill, Joe Allesandro, James F. McDermott, Harry L. Bean and Ralph Cole, all representing the Contracting Plasterers Association of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, and Wesley McKenzie, committee secretary; George Whitton, Grover Newcome, Herman Hampel, Jack Lown, Wilfred Fischer and Bert Dicker, all representing Plasterers Union Local 112.

Advisory members are Joe Chambers of the State Division of Apprenticeship Standards, Fred Mangelsdorf of the Laney Trade School and William Meyers of the California State Employment Service.

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INSIDE NEWS of A. F. of L. LABOR UNIONS and AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS

DRESSING ROOM CHATTER

The recent indictment of a man in Santa Ana, by the Orange county Grand Jury for the murder of a 10-year-old girl, brought out several disclosures which upon investigation might not reflect too well on the amusement industry in that locality. According to the newspaper accounts, some of the witnesses placed the scene of abduction at a theater. The accused had admitted his presence at the theater. Subsequent news accounts alleged that the suspect had been accused of prior molestations four years ago.

The Governor of California stated that $100,000 had been appropriated by the Legislature two years ago, following a series of brutal sex crimes. Another $90,000 is needed to complete the study, being conducted by the Langley Porter Clinic in San Francisco. Assembly Speaker Sam Collins stated he will recommend any money necessary to finish the project. He also called for legislative thought on the possible need for still tighter laws aimed at sex criminals.

We wish we could report that the amusement and recreation industry has taken the initiative and is contributing in some manner to assist this cause.

Their interest should be prompted by a desire to protect their customers, as well as offering a valuable service to the community.

This is a nationwide problem, found wherever there is insufficient help to police the dark recesses of any field of amusement, particularly motion picture theaters.

Speaker Collins' call for thought on the possible need for still tighter laws could well be amended to include laws of prevention, as well as punishment.

We are writing about Orange county this week; we hope we never have to write about a parallel case in any county in the State of California again, particularly Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

Perhaps the apathetic theater owners will be forced to take action by some organization such as the Parent-Teacher Association again, or by the Legion of Decency.

Our interest is obviously twofold: if theaters are considered a safe place to go for children, who are the adults of tomorrow, business will flourish, reflected in increased employment for our members, as well as revenue for the near-sighted theater executives, and secondly to prevent another such tragedy.

We expect many of the industry's so-called "leaders" to pass this off with some such remark as "Oh now, how often does a thing like that happen?" Once is too often, you armchair executives!

The average theater is staffed properly, especially on children's matinees, in only two places: the boxoffice and the candy counter.

With vacation upon us, it seems more than time that all houses take stock and see that adequate help is provided for the safety and welfare of all customers, whether the threat be a fire or a sex fiend.

Up and down the aisles . . . **Cliff McGinnis**, formerly of the Paramount door, replacing **Ray Piquero** at the Capitol . . . **Eileen Jessie** leaving the Esquire boxoffice to go to work for Mollerup Van Lines . . . **Wes Stone** leaving the same house to go into radio work. He will be replaced by Larry Kent of the Cerrito . . . **Russell Harris** is the new relief doorman at the Elmwood . . . **Earl Ely**, replacing **Ronald Cole** at the Grand-Lake, as Ronnie moves to the Chimes . . . **Betty Cox**, moving out of the Chimes boxoffice, object matrimony. Speaking of matrimony, what well-known doorman, who used to be quite a lady's man, seemingly became a hermit about a year ago? He recently admitted the reason, on the occasion of his—first anniversary . . . Look for a shakeup in the Nasser Alameda theaters, with **Al Scheuremann** of the Neptune replacing Con Smythe at the Vogue. Smythe, in turn, will take over the Alameda helm, while assistant Val Price moves into the Neptune as manager . . . Assistant Business Manager **Ann Blalock**, out of the hospital and expected back at the office next Monday.

Members who are still delinquent in paying their dues are reminded that the late payment fine which jumps at the rate of 25 cents a week has now hit $1, if paid before June 8.

Our deepest sympathy to the survivors of **Walter Livingstone**, veteran member of Moving Picture Machine Operators Union, Local 169, who died last Saturday, shortly after being stricken on the job at the Esquire theater.

PRINTERS' AUXILIARY No. 26

Social day was well attended. The American Cancer Society showed a film which was interesting. Some of these films can and will help educate the public to the danger signals of cancer.

June 7 is the date set for the members to be taken on a tour of the Chapel of the Chimes. Tour starts at 10 a.m. sharp. Address: 4499 Piedmont avenue, Oakland. Be sure and come and bring your friends.

Business meeting and election of international officers June 12 at the home of Ada Bean, 2215 64th avenue, Oakland. Time, 11 a.m. Bring your sandwiches.

Public whist party June 16 at the Labor Temple. Bring your donation of prizes to the business meeting.

ELIZABETH FEE,
Press Correspondent.

'WATCH IT' WITH WATCHMAKERS

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

Todd's Jewelry Store, 641 East 14th street, San Leandro, ran an advertisement in the local paper that read in part as follows: "Special . . . with each watch repaired we will have your dial refinished for only $1 (jewel face excepted)."

I visited the store and obtained from them an agreement not to quote a price of any kind in connection with repairs in the future. The interesting part of the visit revealed that the advertisement had not brought in one watch repair. Fred Hewett owns the jewelry department, which he is trying to sell because he has obtained a job as instructor at Van Slyks School. The young man they have interested in buying the department, according to the information he gave me, has only had approximately four years in the trade. He taught himself the bench work and the technical part he obtained at Van Slyks.

One of our own members tried this same spot a short time ago with little or no results.

My son, George, was the guest speaker at the San Francisco business agents' luncheon, held monthly at Di Maggio's restaurant on May 23. From the comments after the luncheon, George must have made a fine impression on the 50 odd persons present. A one-day flying trip from L. A. was made to keep the speaking engagement.

I cannot let the San Francisco bowling team close their season without a few remarks. Our team finished in a tie for second place with the Electrical Workers team No. 1, both teams winning 32 and losing 19 games in the second half of the AFL Bowling League. The league was composed of 18 union teams and plans are being made for a 20-team league for next season. The league banquet was held on Saturday night, May 19. A fine turkey dinner with free liquid refreshments were served. Dancing followed the dinner and was enjoyed by the league bowlers and their guests.

STEAMFITTERS' NOTES No. 342

A large percentage of all industrial accident cases pertaining to journeymen members of the United Association involve back injuries. Lifting can be a lead-pipe cinch if you use your head and save your back. The safe way is the best way. In lifting, as in most things, the safe way is not only the best way but the easiest way. You have to be especially careful in lifting because the back and stomach muscles are easily injured and they bear most of the strain if lifting is done incorrectly.

An injury means being out of work, with pain and hardship and distress to you and your family. The records show that it takes seven to 19 weeks to recover from a lifting injury. Can you afford that? If you cannot, we would like to submit 10 lifting commandments and we urge you to follow them—not just sometime, but every time you lift by hand:

1. Size up the load. If it seems more than you can easily handle yourself, **get help.**
2. Face the load squarely and get a firm footing, feet planted firmly and properly spread (10 to 12 inches apart is about right).
3. Never lift from a kneeling position—that is, with a knee touching the floor or ground.
4. Bend your knees.
5. Get a good grip on the load.
6. Keep a straight back and lift by straightening your legs.
7. Lift slowly and evenly. (Quick, jerky motions invite strain.)
8. Keep the load close to your body.
9. Don't twist your body. To turn, change your foot position.
10. In "team lifting"—where two or more persons work together—let only one man give the signals, while both or all lift together.

The work situation is still good and the future even better, as the Camp Parks job has been let to the following general contractors: Barrett & Hilp, Macco Corporation, Charles L. Harney Inc. and T. C. Meyer & Sons. The piping should be let to sub-contractors in the near future and we anticipate employment of a large number of journeymen there.

The next regular meeting will be held June 3 and we urge you to make every effort to be in attendance, as matters of vital importance will be acted upon.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN.

STROKES FROM THE BRUSH OF LOCAL 127

By HUGHIE RUTLEDGE

Since the discontinuance of the local sick fund we do not have a complete list of all brothers on the sick list. However, we do have the following: Brother Orval Jackson off work with dermatitus. Emil DeMacsek going to the doctor with stomach trouble. Christian Hofve at home with T.B. Charles Hoffman at home from the hospital after an operation. Brothers Hedrick and Pettit returned to work. Harry Van Wye off with pleurisy. Lupe Pino at home sick. Max Gelobter on the list again. Horace Haley will be off for a spell with a heart condition. William Harrell off with an injured foot..

Since the new regulations of routing all claims for hospital and health through the office took effect we are gradually eliminating the drain on the benefit fund. As an illustration, we have had two brothers come into the office for a form of dermatitus this past week. Both brothers were sent in by their employers. This is entirely wrong, as dermatitus is considered an industrial hazard and the doctor bills and disability expense should be borne by the compensation insurance carrier in these cases.

The cost to the employer for his compensation insurance is determined by the amount of industrial injuries he has in his shop. By eliminating all claims during the year for compensation he receives dividends which in some cases have amounted to as much as 50 per cent of his paid premium. His health and welfare insurance costs him 2 per cent of his payroll, regardless of how many sick bills or disability his employes suffer. Consequently, the employer has been sending his men to the health and welfare insurance instead of to the compensation insurance carrier, in order to keep his experience rating cost down. This is detrimental to our brothers for the following reason:

Take the case of dermatitus. We are continually getting partial disability benefits from the compensation fund for this allergy, besides doctor treatments and weekly disability benefits. If these brothers were placed under welfare they would receive the same doctors' services and the same disability payments, but no disability award.

The same would apply to a wrenched back, a sprained wrist or a broken leg. The brothers can protect their interests in the future by insisting on compensation forms for industrial hazards instead of letting the employer shift them on to welfare. If in any doubt, call your representative at the office.

Many of the brothers remember one of our former business representatives, Al Wahlberg, who is now representing District Council 36 of Los Angeles. We are reminded of one of his favorite sayings: "There is only six inches difference between a pat on the back and a kick in the pants."

We compliment the editor of this paper on his good handling of a touchy subject such as differences of opinions between local labor representatives. Hope he continues this policy, which we honestly believe is for the benefit of all labor.

Brother Parman, whom we reported was the only man out of work last week, went to work this Monday. This means we have no unemployment for those who want to work. No report from any of the brothers who tried the High Sierras for trout. Next meeting June 14.

Ship Program Tied In With Grain For India Legislation

By RAY BRENNAN
(Shipyard Laborers 886)

During the week the House passed the Grain for India bill and it was sent to conference to reconcile differences between the versions passed by the Senate and House. It will be remembered that last week a story was carried by this paper telling of an appropriation of $20,000,000 contained in the Senate version for the reactivation of Liberty vessels, of which approximately $14,000,000 would be spent to break the between 100 and 120 vessels out of mothballs.

The House version presumably carried the same item, at least it did through Wednesday of last week, and final passage occurred on Friday. The approximate cost of restoring each vessel was estimated at $140,000 and the number of vessels involved between 100 and 120.

LOCAL CONGRESSMEN

The fight to liberalize the subsidy appropriation recently passed by the House continued. Jack Shelley and John J. Allen Jr. spearheaded a fight which resulted in the calling of a special meeting of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee at which a joint strategy was developed to not press for amendments on the House floor because they found a strong sentiment existing in the Senate for such amendment, and in the event the amendments were defeated in the House it would make the House conferees officially stand in opposition to liberalization. Three-fifths of the House argument against the false economy of the House Appropriation Committee came from Bay Area Congressmen, John J. Allen Jr. and George P. Miller on May 3, Jack Shelley on May 4, and John Allen again on May 7.

MAGNUSON WRITES

Justification for the optimism of our local Congressmen concerning a possible Senate liberalizing of subsidies is indicated to our committee in a recent letter from Senator Warren G. Magnuson, who says:

"I have discussed with a number of interested parties the restrictions contained in the Maritime Administration's appropriation in relation to the number of voyages and compensation for ships which may be seized. I will take steps to bring these matters forcibly to the attention of the Senate Appropriations Committee in the hope we can get some equitable adjustments in language and intent."

The Pacific Coast Committee for Shipbuilding for National Defense has been particularly active in welding sentiment for the liberalized program.

Nevada High Court Sustains Pickets

Reno CLC Release

RENO.—A unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of Nevada has just been handed down reaffirming the right of peaceful picketing for organization purposes. The State Court held that reconsideration of a 1949 Nevada ruling to that effect "is not compelled by later decisions of the United States Supreme Court."

In this case, Jensen vs. Reno Central Trades and Labor Council, the Nevada high court upheld an order issued by District Judge William McKnight. The lower court had dismissed an action for $40,000 damages and for an injunction against picketing of Jensen's Lake Street Pharmacy by Culinary and Hotel Service Workers Local No. 45.

AFL Attorney Robert W. Gilbert, who argued both the 1949 case, known as the White Cross Drug decision, and the Jensen case, before the three-judge tribunal at Carson City, hailed the opinion by Associate Justice Charles Merrill. He called it "a clear and precise explanation of the restricted meaning of the 1950 U.S. Supreme Court picketing decisions."

Truman's Commission Urges Extension of Fair Labor Laws

WASHINGTON (AFL News).—An official recommendation that the major federal fair labor standards laws for industrial workers be extended to farm workers was made by President Truman's Commission on Migratory Labor. Following is a summary of the commission's recommendations:

BASIC PREMISES

1. That agriculture, like industry, is capable of providing decent jobs.
2. That the recurrent shortage of manpower for seasonal agricultural work is basically a problem of job standards.

COORDINATED PROGRAM

A Federal Committee on Migratory Farm Labor, to be named by the President for the purpose of coordinating and stimulating the activities of the Federal Government relating to migratory farm workers and to coordinate programs undertaken by the states and private groups.

The committee to consist of eight members — three public members and one each from the Departments of State, of Agriculture and of Labor, the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Federal Security Agency.

THE EMERGENCY

1. More effective use of the domestic labor force is necessary.
2. Number of contract alien workers should not be increased to more than the 1950 figures, and all efforts be made to end dependence on foreign labor.
3. Where importation or labor is necessary, preference be given to citizens from Puerto Rico and Hawaii.

ALIEN CONTRACT LABOR

Foreign contract labor be imported only on the basis of intergovernmental agreements which should be uniform for all foreign governments.

"WETBACK" LABOR

There is no legal penalty for employing or harboring an illegal immigrant. Legislative measures making it unlawful to employ such aliens should be adopted. The Immigration and Naturalization Service should have the right to enter places of agricultural employment to search for illegal aliens and penalties should be provided for harboring, concealing or transporting them.

The present practice of legalizing aliens who entered this country in defiance of the law should be forbidden.

RECRUITMENT OF WORKERS

Adoption by the United States Employment Service of safeguards in public recruitment of farm workers. These safeguards to include written terms of employment so that growers will advise the employment service what they will pay, what housing they have and other employment conditions.

Federal legislation to ban the interstate recruitment of farm workers except under license by Department of Labor. This is designed to regulate so-called "crew leaders" and "contractors" and to avoid "sweatshop" conditions for migratory farm workers.

LABOR RELATIONS

Farm workers should have legal assurance of their right to organize by extension of the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the Taft-Hartley law) to employes on farms having a specified minimum number of workers.

MINIMUM WAGES

Minimum wage and unemployment compensation codes should be extended, through legislative measures, to migratory farm workers.

HOUSING

No foreign farm workers should be imported nor domestic farm workers be sent by the Federal Employment Service from one state to another until the state in which employment is offered has established minimum housing standards which meet those prescribed by the federal committee.

The Department of Agriculture should extend grants-in-aid to states for establishing labor camps in areas of large and sustained seasonal labor demand.

Development by the Public Housing Administration of a rural nonfarm housing program for migrants during period of the year when they are not "on the road."

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Amendment to the Social Security and Public Health Service Acts to provide matching grants to states for (1) general assistance, including medical care, provided that no needy person be excluded for lack of legal residence status, and (2) health program and clinics for migratory labor to be conducted under the supervision of the surgeon-general.

CHILD LABOR

Retention and vigorous enforcement of the 1949 Child Labor Amendment to restrict employment of children younger than 14 years outside of school hours.

EDUCATION

Development of an adequate program for migratory workers and their children, to be undertaken by the federal committee through cooperation of public and private agencies. A study to be made of how interstate provisions can be formulated for education of migrant children since educational authority is necessarily local.

Big Biz Head Admits Warehouses Bulging

WASHINGTON (LPA).—A steel firm executive has confirmed what LPA has said for some time—that the cry of consumer goods shortages is a phony. Charles R. Hook, chairman of Armco Steel Corporation, declared warehouses in many cities are "bursting" with stocks of hard goods such as refrigerators, television sets and household appliances. He told a convention of hardware manufacturers at Palm Beach, Fla., that the accumulated stocks contradict earlier predictions of severe consumer shortages.

The Wall Street Journal, in a long story from Washington, said "the cut-price sales now going on around the country are only the beginning. There will be more and bigger bargains to come—because stores are overstocked.

The U. S. Department of Commerce estimates that business inventories at the end of February were $65,100,000,000, $13,000,000,000 higher than a year ago. Retailers' inventories were $17,700,000,000, almost $4,000,000,000 above a year ago.

ELECTIOIN SET ASIDE

BUFFALO (LPA).—The National Labor Relations Board ruled that promise of a wage increase by Direct Laboratories Inc. on the eve of an NLRB election at the plant October 3, 1950, "improperly affected the results." The election, which CIO Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers lost, 13 to 10, was set aside and a new election ordered.

State Firms Get Huge Contracts

U. S. Government Release

Contracts totaling $242,061,269 for the purchase of goods and supplies for the Federal Government under the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act were awarded to California firms during the first three months of 1951, it was announced by John R. Dille, regional director for the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, U. S. Department of Labor, in the eight Western states.

The Walsh-Healey Act, Dille pointed out, applies to government contracts in amounts over $10,000. It contains sections dealing with minimum wages, overtime pay, health and safety, child labor and convict labor. The child labor provisions, he stressed, fix an assessment against employers of $10 per day for each day a boy under 16 years old or a girl under 18 is employed in filling such government contracts.

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IT ISN'T ONLY COMMIES WHO DO AS THEY'RE BID!

Bud Schulberg, the novelist who wrote the book, "What Makes Sammy Run," which attracted much attention, told the House Un-American Activities Committee:

"In 1939, at the age of 25, I broke with the Communists because of their efforts to dictate the content and direction of my literary work and because their quick switch to virtual alliance with Hitler convinced me of their intellectual dishonesty and their false claims to anti-Fascist leadership."

Schulberg told the Congressmen that under the Communist system a writer is regarded much the same as a soldier:

"He is given social commands and if he fails to carry them out he is subjected to discipline."

Neither as Americans in general, nor as members of the AFL in particular should we feel superior about this. Many workers for both the daily and the labor press have never written a line unless they were dead sure it was exactly what their boss wanted them to write. There are business agents of unions who would jump through a hoop of fire intellectually if the head of their international union told them to do so. There are compliant serfs of the big corporations in America who would no more think a thought different from what the top boss man thought than would the Commie writers under the Hollywood commisars of whom Schulberg tells.

Right now, there are many Americans who think that the essence of good Americanism is to prevent college professors from studying dispassionately and impartially the results of the Communist experiment in Russia.

Such attitudes, whether they prevail in corporation, newspaper or labor union, make it easy for the top man, the dictator, to make switches as violent in nature as that which Stalin made when he switched to an alliance with Hitler.

Moreover, all of us who fail to do some independent reading of our own, and who simply sit and let the lords of radio, movie, television and press tell us what they wish, are preparing our own minds to accept just such discipline as that of which Schulberg tells.

Thank heaven, this docility about thinking only the top man's thoughts and writing only what he orders up hasn't settled into a complete and unbreakable system in America. But we'd better watch our step!

CROSS-FILING'S PALS

Our old friend, the State Chamber of Commerce, like the Commonwealth Club, can usually be relied upon to come through with recommendations opposed to both Democracy and democracy with a little D.

This time it is the State Chamber which has done so with a nice little dud of a bomb. It turns out that the State Chamber thinks the cross-filing system is just dandy.

Adrien J. Falk, president of this state group of heavy business thinkers, says:

"California has been free from the blight of party bossism primarily because it recognizes the freedom of the cross-filing system."

The real effect of the cross-filing system is to disfranchise large numbers of persons in the general elections.

The decisions are made in the primary, before there has been thorough discussion of the issues, and before many voters have been aroused to the importance of the campaign. This gives a great advantage to a well-organized and well-financed machine, such as the State Chamber of Commerce itself is.

Such a well-organized and well-financed machine can go ahead full power, like an automobile with a great pickup, and propagandize heavily early in the campaign, before the primary. The more democratic groups, less well financed, depending more on the slower process of mouth-to-mouth awakening of the people, is left at the starting post of the general election without a candidate.

The fact that some few districts are so preponderantly populated by democratic groups that a few liberal Assemblymen or Congressmen capture both nominations in the primary, doesn't offset the general picture.

Labor in this state is against the cross-filing system. The fact that the State Chamber of Commerce is for the cross-filing system gives us a gentle hint as to which way the wind blows.

HE DOESEN'T LIKE US

A successful small business man was telling the manager of our Journal Press the other day that he reads East Bay Labor Journal, but that he's down on the paper "because it's against everything."

What this usually means is that a man is down on us because we're FOR so many things. For example, here are some of the many things we're for:

1. We're for small business men refusing to swallow all the big business propaganda that is funneled to them through the luncheon clubs, those loudspeakers for the NAM and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

2. We're for small business men doing some independent thinking of their own, and trying to figure out whether their economic and social interests really lie with taking the dictates of the Knowland machine locally, and the Taft-McCarthy-Knowland machine nationally.

3. We're, in short, for small business men realizing that much of their true interest lies in forming an alliance with labor and other plain citizens who are the consumers of the goods which small business men handle.

4. We're for small business men recognizing the fact that there is real danger of great monopolies putting small business men out of business.

Well, that's just a few of the things we're for. But it's possible that our friend, the small business man, if he happens to read this, will just say:

"Aw, that East Bay Labor Journal is always against everything!"

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FRIEND AND FOE
In Radio and Press

THE PRESS CLUB is one of the old and excellent institutions of the Bay Area. Just how old, one wouldn't know, being a Press Club member and therefore of that careless disposition toward dates and accuracies in general, unless they're professionally necessary. Anyway, it's older than some things.

The present writer was much amused the other day when he got his 1951 membership card in the combined Press and Union League Club to discover that what made the card good was the signature of Eric Cullenward.

ERIC CULLENWARD is the bright big boy who comes over here to Oakland every time there's a municipal campaign and hangs a donkey collar around the neck of labor candidates. He's an oldtime newspaperman—just how oldtime we're not sure, any more than we are of the exact age of the club—who's gone into the more profitable business of public relations.

Anyhow, finding Eric's signature on one's club card after the strenuous campaign we'd just gone through in Oakland rather caused amusement to the recipient of the card. You see, Eric is secretary of the Press and Union League Club.

THE PRESS AND UNION LEAGUE CLUB, as the organization has just recently become, is the result of a marriage of convenience by two organizations. The Press Club, for many years located at Powell and Sutter in San Francisco, joined forces with the Union League Club at 555 Post, and moved into the Post street building.

The Union League Club is a very old and very respectable organization which was originally founded, a member of it once told us, to elect Abraham Lincoln to the Presidency. This effort, it seems, was successful.

Just what role the Union League Club has played in later years isn't known to the present writer, but there is certainly a very fine picture of Herbert Hoover on the walls of the club. Near it, and representing a high wave of progressivism, is a picture of a President named Roosevelt—Theodore.

THE NEWSPAPERMEN'S UNION, formed in 1934, was organized in the old Press Club building at Powell and Sutter, and for that reason as well as for many others, the present writer will always feel an affection for that old building.

We had many a stormy session of the newly organized and struggling union in that old building. Some of the more conservative members—and the club always did include representatives of the corporation magnate class as well as the working newspapermen—were rather perturbed.

They weren't half as perturbed as some of the newspapermen whose minds were not attuned to unionism—cane-toters, we called them—and who felt that if the sacred halls of the Press Club were allowed to harbor union organizers, something still more dreadful might be expected next.

HOWEVER, THE CANE-TOTERS survived, and so did the union. In fact, some of the cane-toters now belong to the union. And we're all good club brothers together, the men who organized to elect Abraham Lincoln, those who organized a union, the cane-toters, Eric Cullenward, and the undersigned.

—LB.

IS THIS SOCIALISM?

The League Reporter (LLPE)

Big Business says the New Deal and Fair Deal have led the country down the road to something it calls "socialism." It screams that private enterprise and risk capital have been killed.

But now comes the bible of Big Business, the "Journal of Commerce," with figures to show how silly such arguments are. The "Journal of Commerce" reports corporations with gross incomes of $1,000,000,000 or more have increased almost 10 times in the last 10 years. Ten years ago there were just two. Last year there were these 19:

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U. S. Steel	3.0
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"Come And Get Me!"



DISCRIMINATION!

Apparently there are several prominent businessmen in California who are sincerely interested in giving Negroes and other minority groups a break as regards employment.

At least this is the impression gained from a discussion at an institute on Minority Group Employment held recently at the Labor-Management School of the University of San Francisco.

However, it was pointed out during the discussion that policy making by the top echelon of a company did not guarantee that the policy would be practiced on all the lower levels. It was suggested that perhaps the way to attack job discrimination was to launch an educational campaign at the level of the interviewer and departmental and supervisory heads.

FEAR AND PREJUDICE

It was felt that these were the people who were subject to the pressures of their workers and by their own fears and prejudices in making decisions.

Opinion at the Institute jelled on the reason why workers object to the hiring of members of minority groups. The main objection it seems is based partly on a fear of losing job security and job opportunity. There is also the objection against out-of-towners seeking employment in the old and established local industries.

Social and personal reasons, though important, were considered to be secondary as a basis for discrimination.

POSITIVE STEPS NEEDED

Adrian Falk, president of the California Chamber of Commerce, emphasized the idea that employers should take positive steps by cooperating with unions and minority groups to get more and better training for minority group members. Employers should, he said, "make direct efforts to break down minority prejudices."

Falk, who is also president of S. & W. Fine Foods, stated that "once that barrier is broken, once one minority group member works along side other members of the work force ,then progress is much faster."

FAIR EMPLOYMENT POLICY

Also speaking as panel members at the Institute were Roger N. Conant of PT&T, Howard Carver of the Emporium and Walter Haas Jr. of Levi Strauss. Each one stated that as personnel managers for their firms, they followed a non-discriminatory employment policy.

These public declarations were made before a gathering of 130 people that included personnel managers of several San Francisco firms, educational leaders, local labor officials and representatives of many civic organizations.

According to PANEL, the official bulletin of the Labor-Management School, the Institute "was the first real, public, voluntary expression by prominent businessmen in San Francisco that they definitely intend to solve the problem of employing to the full members of minority groups and especially the Negro."

The Institute is the first one of many to follow.

AGGRESSION, NOT COMMUNISM, IS REAL THREAT TO FREE WORLD

Christian Science Monitor

Just what does it mean to say that American policy aims at "containment" of Russian Communist influence in the world today? A recent survey by the Council on Foreign Relations indicated that this policy is supported by a large majority of the leading citizens who form its committees in 24 cities. Yet common observation indicates that the objectives of the policy could and should be more widely understood.

First of all, is the United States engaged in a mission to suppress communism? Over 99 per cent of Americans evidently disagree with communism; its theories can be disproved and its practice has shown cavernous weaknesses. Yet Americans could view communism with relative equanimity if its spread depended on adoption by free consent of self-governing peoples. Its propaganda could be met on the ideological level with assurance, as indeed it must be.

But the nature and doctrine of international communism is to sieze power by violence and to exert minority rule through dictatorship. In practice it has spread by extending the power of the Soviet Union, either through direct expansion or through satellites—in either case by various forms of aggression against free governments and the liberties of free men.

It is that aggression, that sbjugation of free peoples by violence, which constitutes communism's crime in the world today, just as it constituted the crime of Nazi-Fascist totalitarianism.

And it is that aggression, that expansionism by force over unwilling victims, against which the policy of "containment" is legitimately directed. This does not mean a crusade or holy war to extirpate communism from the earth; eradication of mistaken doctrines must come by other means. But it does signify, in the phrase of the Council on Foreign Relations, that America should "try to frustrate the expansion of Soviet power whenever it shows signs of encroaching upon the territorial integrity" of free nations.

That is something like the distinction drawn by the American Government and by most thoughtful citizens in dealing with communism as a domestic problem. Majority judgment has held against attempting to punish the mere holding of communistic opinions as a crime; but it has supported heartily the endeavor to punish the commission of illegal acts, as in the trial of 11 Communist leaders for conspiracy against the government.

Most serious students of Stalinist Marxism are convinced that if it is deprived of unfair, coercive, and violent means for its extension it cannot survive. Most of the Foreign Relations Council members believe that the Soviet regime is such that it must expand or lose power internally. If that is true, then resistance to its expansion amounts to resistance to communism itself.

But the distinction earlier stated is still important. It is aggression that is the enemy. It is the attack on other people's lives and liberties that constitutes a ground for war. In the absence of such a casus belli, a military crusade or "preventive war" against certain people simply because they are Communists or ruled by Communists would become itself an aggression and would forfeit moral stature.

Let's keep the sights on the target. It is aggression that constitutes the international crime. Only a system that can succeed by appealing to intellects and loyalties of free men deserves to succeed. Only such a system can expand, or long endure, if aggression is resisted.

Duration Laws For Labor? "No, Thanks"

WASHINGTON (AFL News).—George Q. Lynch, president AFL Pattern Makers League, cautioned against labor support for emergency legislation "for the duration."

He told the AFL National Legislative Council that some Congressmen are talking about enacting a 48-hour week for 40 hours' pay for government workers "for the duration" of the present national emergency.

"Military leaders say we may be in this period of tension for 30 years," Mr. Lynch observed. "When they talk about the duration, that means until every man in this room meets the undertaker."

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WOMEN
in This World
By EDITH McCONN

ON RETURNING RECENTLY from a trip to a number of Asiatic countries, Dr. Wallace Stegner of Stanford University said:

"These people are very ignorant of us and our ways, but we are even more ignorant of them, and with less excuse."

In this country we have access to all sorts of information about every country in the world, but only a few of us take advantage of this information.

How many of us, Dr. Stegner asks, have ever read a novel or any book by a Hindu or a Japanese or a Filipino? Yet most educated Orientals are familiar with our literature.

We have the advantage of having, as a country, a language, a literature and a people who can read and write.

India has a large number of languages, and while Hindustani has been declared the official language, only a portion of the people can speak it, and very few can read or write it.

Other Asiatic countries have similar difficulties. Tagalog is now the official language of the Philippines, but not nearly all the people have it as their native language.

We in this country cannot begin to realize the difficulties which face these emerging democracies of the Far East. If we did we might be more patient of their short-comings.

If we are going to build a world without war, we have got to learn to get along with many different races and peoples. One of the best ways to accomplish this is to know more about these people we want to get along with.

How do these people live? How does the world look to them? If they have what we consider a lot of wrong ideas about us, how can we set about correcting them?

First of all, by learning as much about them as we possibly can. At the present time, a good many Americans are traveling or just returning from the Orient. Many of them have written or spoken about their travels.

More of us should visit Asia, and more of us will. But most of us can't, and must get our knowledge from books and magazines.

Many of us have not yet learned to be good citizens of the city or county or state in which we live. We've got to learn to be that, of course, and, in addition, we've got to learn, and soon, how to be world citizens.

We may not like the idea. It's a lot cozier to be a citizen of a village. But we no longer have any choice. We can be citizens, or we can be slaves.

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"School's Out'" Means Many Different Things to Many

Around about now that cry is heard up and down the land.

It means a lot of different things to a lot of different people. For the kids it means fun and frolic for a couple of weeks, until they begin to get bored.

For mothers it means more work and more worry, trying to find occupation for idle little hands.

For some older children and younger adults, it means leaving school or college for keeps—saying goodbye to fellow pupils and to teachers, as well as to scenes grown dear through long familiar years.

To most teachers it means unalloyed relief, a blessed chance to draw a long breath and get a bit of rest. For some it means summer school, for some travel, for some another kind of work, but for all it is that break and change which is so necessary to all who do such exacting work as teaching.

Exacting work it is, too, as many parents begin to realize about now, faced, as they are, with full responsibility for keeping their children occupied.

We have a mother's day and a father's day. Perhaps we should have a teacher's day when we might all be reminded of the valiant service our teachers render.

It is true that there are some lazy and careless teachers who leave little mark on the pupils who come into their care.

For the most part, however, teachers are a devoted lot, giving of their time and energy "above and beyond the call of duty."

Money cannot pay for service such as this. Nevertheless, we should express our gratitude with the best rate of pay we can afford, together with the best conditions we can give.

And, in addition, a few kind words never come amiss, as every teacher knows.

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Premier of Israel Sets An Example on Wide Reading

Despite the distractions of radio and television, a great many people still find much pleasure in reading. To these, browsing through book stores is as exciting as fishing for trout in a mountain stream.

Among these anglers for literary treasures is numbered a recent visitor to our shores, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion of Israel.

He interrupted his busy schedule in New York recently to spend several hours wandering through a couple of large book stores, and carried off an assortment of books that would make a scholar's eyes pop.

The Prime Minister is noted as a scholar and has one of the largest libraries in Israel. He is a Greek scholar, and something of an authority on Buddhist philosophy.

Therefore, it did not surprise anyone that he carried off such volumes as "The Philosophy of Life," by Chen Lis Fu, or "A Short History of Chinese Philosophy," by Fung Yu-Lan.

Mr. Ben Gurion does not concern himself with the past only, however. Winston Churchill's "The Hinge of Fate" was one he bought.

CONGRESS CONTROVERSY

Representative John J. Allen Jr. writes weekly Letter to Constituents, and the Editor of East Bay Journal comments thereon. Paragraphs in Mr. Allen's letter commented on are printed in boldfact.

Dear Constituent:

Washington was hot—90 degrees. I saw two baseball games. The club was not so hot.

We finished the Agraculture bill. The reasonable attitude continued. The committee had been careful in eliminating excess money before it brought the bill to the floor. A move to cut $5,500,000 from the flood control provision failed, but an amendment to cut $1,900,000 from the funds for planning additional work carried. There are 11 watersheds with projects in progress and something over 170 watersheds possibly involved. This is a soil conservation program.

The amendment proposed to cut $75,000,000 from the Production and Marketing Administration brought forth full discussion. The program is fundamentally good and improving in its efficiency. It has enabled 15 per cent of the people to produce the food for the other 85 per cent. So stated a Republican authority. There are areas which do not wish the program, including parts of Texas and Wisconsin. City Democrats voiced a good deal of support, possibly because the Farmers Union, which works fairly closely with industrial labor organizations, favored the program. The Farm Bureau directorrs by a close vote had come out against it. In some areas the P. M. A. is charged with being little more than a political precinct organization. The amendment was defeated 12 to 120. I voted for it. The program has merit and there is abuse. Some cutback would not have hurt it.

The usual amendment to reduce personnel was adopted. The bill then passed with little opposition.

Meanwhile, the Senate concluded its action on the Grain-for-India bill.

The bill we passed a month ago providing that the Armed Services would have to agree with the House and Senate Committees before entering into substantial transactions concerning real property came back from the White House with the President's veto. He said that it would cause delay. The rule has been followed by the Navy Department without any delay for 10 years or more The House promptly passed the bill again over the President's veto by a vote of 312 to 68.

The President also voiced an objection to a trend on the part of Congress to encroach upon the field of the Executive Branch. His message suggested that neither branch should encroach on the field of the other. Some of us could hardly believe our ears.

We passed two resolutions with regard to Communist China. A Senate resolution which expressed the sense of the Congress that the United Nations should embargo the shipment of arms passed both Houses and went to the President. A House resolution expressed the sense of the House that Communist China should not be seated in the United Nations. Both of these actions seem to me to be in line with the policies which General MacArthur recommended.

The Ways and Means Committee has finished a good part of its action on the tax revision bill. It will increase revenues by about $6,500,000,000. There are not many other sources left for new or increased taxes in the future.

There were quite a few visitors—one on vacation, the rest on business. Dorothy Rott of Oakland Title was the vacationist. Clarence A. Shuey, W. R. Meutsch, David M. Gregory, Bob Mayer, Mait Pennington, Mrs. C. P. Hale, Elwin Hale and my neighbors the Alan Torbets called in. Edwin Campbell of Howard Terminals was in New York. Lt. Cmdr. Marie McDonnell, who is stationed here, came up to the Capitol.

Each year a week or so before Memorial Day the House sets a day aside for the purpose of holding memorial services. The relatives of the deceased Members are escorted to seats in the House Chamber. Within the past year two Senators and seven Representatives have died. The roll was called and memorial addresses were made. "To prove that freedom under God can survive these men strove and died."

Regards,
JOHN J. ALLEN JR.

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EDITOR'S COMMENT

Mr. Allen Takes His Cue From Associated Farmers' Friends

Mr. Allen cheerfully voted to cut down the Production and Marketing Administration program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. There is a lot of history back of this.

The PMA program conforms in general outlines, with many later modifications, to the old Agricultural Adjustment Administration, or Triple-A program which under President Franklin D. Roosevelt was introduced to rescue farmers from their ruined condition during the 'thirties.

Mr. Allen notes that the Farm Bureau directors came out against the program, and favored the amendment cutting it down. The Farm Bureau is dominated by the wealthier farmers, and Farm Bureau members and officers had much to do with setting up the union-busting organization known as the Associated Farmers. Naturally, Mr. Allen votes with this crowd.

Mr. Allen further notes that among those backing the PMA program, "City Democrats voiced a good deal of support, possibly because the Farmers Union, which works fairly closely with industrial labor organizations, favored the program."

The Farmers Union members are not so wealthy as are the Farm Bureau dominant members. Mr. Allen is correct in saying that labor works fairly closely with the Farmers Union. Again, naturally Mr. Allen would vote against such a group.

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Mr. Allen's Dixiegop Pals Cannot Believe Their Ears

Mr. Allen reports that "some of us could hardly believe our ears" on hearing the President thought that the Congress was trying to encroach on his official field of action.

Maybe they were surprised because the President didn't use plainer language, and say the truth flatly—that the Dixiegop combination Mr. Allen belongs to is pursuing downright political sabotage of the Presidency!

NLRB RULES OUT THIS KIND!

GREENVILLE, Miss. (LPA).—When management questions workers, tells them that if the union wins the plant would move, and even after the union wins tells negotiators "we will negotiate it but we will not agree to it," that's only "surface bargaining." So the National Labor Relations Board ruled in ordering the local plant here of the U.S. Gypsum to really bargain with the CIO Woodworkers. The board also ordered Gypsum to reinstate three employes fired for union activity, with full back pay.

The union won an election Sept. 7, 1948, and battled for real bargaining from then on. The union filed charges and an NLRB complaint was issued April 17, 1950.

The trial examiner ruled for the union, the company appealed, and the NLRB order was issued more than 36 months after the election.

WE DON'T PATRONIZE,

The following persons and firms, after a thorough examination into the causes at issue, have been deemed unworthy of the patronage of members of organized labor and their friends:

BAKERS, CONFECTIONERS

Peter Paul, Inc., 1001 81st Ave.
Hoffman Candy Co., Los Angeles, Calif.

DAIRIES

El Solyo Ranch, Vernalis
M. R. Furtado, Tracy
Norval Knutsen, Hughson
Alves and Son, Cressey
John Viera, Livingston
Ulm Bros., Modesto
George Clever, Tracy
Max Foster, Modesto
Presnell Dairy, Modesto
Leo P. Hedegard, Modesto
U. J. Reeves, Tracy
M. A. Des Jardinz, Modesto
Henry Ielmerini, Petaluma
J. Ielmerini, Marin
W. Scott, Marin
Delcini, Marin

DRUG STORES

Stier Drug Co., 3407 Lakeshore, Oakland

LOCKSMITHS

All locksmiths in the East Bay Area not displaying the union shop card.

PRINTING-NEWSPAPERS

Life
Time
Saturday Evening Post
Ladies' Home Journal
Country Gentleman

STORES

Clinnick Appliance Co., Fruitvale and MacArthur, Oakland
Vine Pastry Shop, 2114 Vine St., Berkeley

APARTMENT HOUSES

Graystone Apartments, 26 Lenox Avenue

SIGN AND SHOW CARD CONTRACTORS

Herb Hobson Company, 3113 Dwight Way, Berkeley
East Bay Sign Company, 2645 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley

BARBER SHOPS

The Star Barber Shop, 1926 University Ave., Berkeley
Barber Shop, 5482 College Ave.

RESTAURANTS

White Log Taverns

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Charles Conkel, Specialty Contractor (Sprinkler Systems, etc.), 1624 West Fourth street, Livermore, Calif.

Oakland Roofing Company, 4114, Linden street, Oakland, Calif.
Mr. Lorne Merritt, General Contractor, 1910 170th avenue, Hayward.
Mr. O. L. Davis, General Contractor, 1017 Morva drive, Hayward
Mr. Charles Bovard, General Contractor, 887 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore, Calif.
I. Magnin Co.
E. I. DuPont de Nemours, Paint Manufacturing Co., South San Francisco
Hotel Menlo, 13th and Webster Streets, Oakland
Sealy Mattress Co., 6699 San Pablo Avenue.
West Coast Macaroni Manufacturing Co., 1250 57th Avenue, Oakland
Portland Hotel, 476 Ninth Street, Oakland
All Scale Companies not displaying the Union Shop Card
Electric Refrigeration Service Co., 5921 Grove Street, Oakland
Rio Theater, Park Street, Alameda
Times Theater, Webster Street, Alameda, Calif.
Stanley W. Taylor, 1200 Bancroft Avenue, San Leandro, Calif.
Western Interiors Blind Co., 3000 Willow Road, San Pablo, Calif.
E. A. Ferracone, Exterior Decorator, 3993 Altamont Avenue, Oakland.